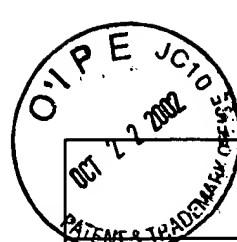


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Application Serial Number: 09/715,429	Filing Date: 11/17/2000	Examiner: O'Sullivan	Group Art Unit: 1623
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Invention: Solutions and films of glycated chitosan

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	17	MINUS	20	0	\$18/\$9	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	MINUS	3	1	\$84/\$42	\$42

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of 08/13/2002 to and through 10/13/2002, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

one month (\$110 / \$55) three months (\$920 / \$460)
 two months (\$400 / \$200) four months (\$1440 / \$720)

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT	\$97.00
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Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.

A check in the amount of \$97.00 is attached.

Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account _____.

No additional fee is required.

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Date

R. Alan Weeks
Reg. No. 36,050

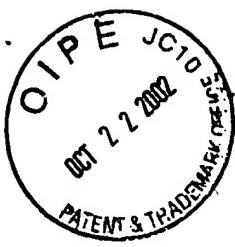
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additional extension or fee is due, please consider this our authorization to charge the deposit account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 06-0540. An additional filing fee is enclosed as occasioned by the new claims added by this paper.

Please add the following diagram at the bottom of page 9 at the end of Example 4:



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Applicant(s): Nordquist et al.)
Application No.: 09/715,429)
Filed on: 11/17/2000)
Confirmation No.: 7716)
Title: Solutions and films of glycated chitosan)
Art Unit: 1623)
Examiner: O'Sullivan)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 08/13/2002
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sirs:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed 08/13/2002 and is filed together with a Petition for One Month Extension of Time and the commensurate extension fee. To the extent any

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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